

(iii) *Re. : Outbreak of Smallpox in Rajgiri and other villages of Bidar District :*

Sri V. N. PATIL (Humnabad) :—I call the attention of the Minister for Health to the reported death of some persons in Rajgiri and other villages of Bidar District due to outbreak of smallpox.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Minister for Public Health) :—I state as follows :

The Director of Health and Family Planning Services, Bangalore has reported that in only one Village by name Rajgiri in Bidar District, the incidence of smallpox has been reported. The details of the attacks and the measures taken by the Department of Health and Family Planning Services to control the disease are as follows :—

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Date of 1st attack	No. of Attacks	Cases of Deaths	Containment measures	
					Primary vaccination	Re-vaccination
1.	Bidar	6-2-1973	7	1	935	2363

The last date of attack was on 20-3-1973. Necessary action is being taken by the concerned authorities to contain the disease.

Sri. V. N. PATIL.—These epidemics are spreading on account of the shortage of water and due to excess of heat. Will the Government order for inoculation throughout the District as a precautionary measure ?

Sri. H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As the Hon. member is aware, we have got a mobile hospital also which is going round the entire country. I think there are two mobile hospitals in Bidar District. All essential medicines are kept in store and whatever is necessary for containing the disease will be undertaken. We have taken all precautionary measures to contain the disease.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ :—ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲೂ ಕೂಡ ಅನೇಕ ಕಡೆ ಕಾಬರಾ ಹಾವಳಿ ಪರದಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು :—ಅದಕ್ಕೂ ಈಗ ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಚರ್ಚೆಯಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೂ ಹೇಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಬರುತ್ತೆ ?

(iv) *Re. : Acute Scarcity of food-grains in Bidar District.*

Sri. V. N. PATIL.—I call the attention of the Minister of State for Food and Civil Supplies to the grave situation that has arisen in Bidar District due to acute scarcity of food-grains there.